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LETTER

This is in response to the paper styled "SPECIAL COMMUNICATION," filed September 16, 2002.

The communication was filed merely to call to the attention of the USPTO an alleged discrepancy between the date of the Express Mail Mailing Certificate and the Express Mail Mailing Label completed by the USPS for the instant application.

More specifically, the communication states that the date on the Express Mail Mailing Certificate is February 7, 2002, as opposed to February 6, 2002, the “date-in” entered by the USPS employee on the Express Mail Mailing Label. However, absent any evidence to the contrary in support of applicants’ assertions, the filing date of this application will remain as February 6, 2002.

Telephone inquiries concerning this communication should be directed to Wan Laymon at (703) 306-5685.

This application file is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 2825 for examination in due course.

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